1999 saw both the release of the Game Boy version of the Pokémon game, as well this comic title's third anniversary! Apart from that, it seems like the theme colour for our third anniversary will be orange too. The Game Boy Colour has been released in orange, and for that reason, Volume 5's cover also sports this commemorative colour!

Mato

They are everywhere! From the Game Boy to Nintendo 64, the world of Pokémon is getting bigger every day and I am really fired up about that! But don't worry! We will be working doubly hard on this comic so that we don't lose out to all these new computer games!

After an intensive bout of training with Blue, Yellow is ready to tackle any obstacles that come his way! Or is he? The first test of his new role as a Pokémon trainer includes investigating the mysterious going-ons in Vermilion Harbor and thwarting the evil plans of a newly revived Team Rocket! Will Yellow rise to the challenge?

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Pokémon Adventures 5

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CHAPTER 53

YAAAAAAAWWN.
SQUEEZE
G'MORNING, PIKACHU!
SO WHERE IN HECK IS HE?
glance glance
...JUST TO GET HIM TO TRAIN ME!
YUP I FOLLOWED BLUE TO THIS PLACE..
FWOOSH
YESTERDAY HE WAS SLEEPING OVER THERE SOMEWHERE
POINK

CAN'T CATCH CATERPIE?
WHAT'S HE UP TO...?
?
!

A FALLING BOULDER!!
WH-WHAT HAPPENED!?
BLUE, WATCH OUT!

KRAK
KRAK
GRAWWL

GRAKK
ONE MORE HIT, CHARIZARD!
H-HE'S TRAINING!?
THUMP
I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
BLUE!! EXCUSE ME!!
CAN YOU TEACH ME HOW TO TRAIN T--
HUH?
CHARIZARD!
MAYBE HE MEANS I SHOULD JUST WATCH AND LEARN..?
KRUMBLE
SHF SHF SHF
POIK
!!

GRAWL
HEY!!
YOU'RE THE POKÉMON FROM CELADON CITY!!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING ALL THE WAY OUT HERE!?
THAT CATERPIE
STILL FOLLOWING THE ONE WHO SAVED ITS LIFE, EH?
..
TRY TO CAPTURE THAT POKÉMON WITH ONE OF YOUR OWN
THEN YOU CAN BEGIN TRAINING IT TOWARD A HIGHER LEVEL
grrn
O-KAY!

KCH
I CAN DO THIS!!
COME ON, RATTY!
THAT CATERPIE SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN A LIKING TO THIS "YELLOW" KID...IT MAY PROVE VERY USEFUL IF WE CAN EVOLVE IT TO ITS FINAL STAGE...
BUT THAT "IF" DEPENDS ON WHETHER THIS YELLOW HAS WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A TRAINER!

IF HE'D BEEN ABLE TO CAPTURE IT THIS MORNING
...AND SPENT THE WHOLE DAY INCREASING ITS POWER LEVEL
GIVEN HOW QUICKLY A CATERPIE EVOLVES
. WE MIGHT ALREADY HAVE A METAPOD BY NOW!
KCH

SHF
!?
HUF HUF
AS OF NOW
HUF HUF
—I GOTTA CALL FOR HELP!
SAY
I DON'T THINK I'M CUT OUT FOR CAPTURING
I MEAN, YOU HAVE TO HURT IT FIRST, RIGHT?
I JUST CAN'T BRING MYSELF TO DO IT ..

I'VE EVEN BEEN PRACTICING TO SEE IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO CAPTURE 'EM *WITHOUT* A BATTLE!
WHEN I FOUGHT THOSE POKÉMON TO SAVE THOSE PEOPLE, I WAS JUST ACTING OUT OF DESPERATION!
AFTER ONE WHOLE DAY...HE CAN'T EVEN CATCH A CATERPIE!?
gape
WHAT DO I *DO*?
JUST DEMONSTRATE AN ATTACK WHAT DOES RATTATA USE?
UMMM WELL...
IT'S HIS POKEMON! HOW CAN HE NOT KNOW!?

HUFF
HUFF
WE HUFF DID IT! HA HA!
FUMP
OKAY I KNOW YOU'RE KEEPING PIKACHU FOR RED BUT HOW DID YOU CAPTURE RATTATA AND DODUO?
WELL... WITH RATTY, IT WAS JUST LIKE YOU DID FOR ME NOW...
THERE WAS SOMEONE THERE TO TELL ME WHAT TO DO. AND I KINDA GOT DODUO FROM SOMEONE ELSE...
AND THESE ARE THE ONLY THREE YOU HAVE...
PWIK
BRRR
BRRR
!?
BLUE! S-SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH RATTY!
OK
YOU HAVE RED'S POKÉDEX DON'T YOU? OPEN IT!

APPARENTLY IT'S MAXED OUT AT THIS LEVEL
ITS POWER LEVEL MUST HAVE SHOT UP BECAUSE YOU'VE BEEN BATTLING WITH IT SO MUCH LATELY
What? RATTY is evolving!
?????
ONCE IT EVOLVES IT CAN LEARN MORE ATTACKS THUS BEING MUCH MORE USEFUL IN BATTLE
HM WHAT'S "EVOLVE"?
!!
?
?
Shiiiiiiiiiii
!!

RATTY!!
NOOOO!!
WH..
WH...
peek
WHAA AAAAAAAAA
PING
THIS HAS GOT TO BE A PRACTICAL JOKE...!
A TRAINER WHO STARTS BAWLING WHEN HIS POKÉMON EVOLVES!?
WHAT ELSE COULD THIS FOOL POSSIBLY
KSK
YES WELL I SUPPOSE I SHOULD HAVE GUESSED
ZZ

Sigh
UMM... SORRY ABOUT LAST NIGHT
IT'S JUST THAT I NEVER KNEW POKÉMON WERE SUPPOSED TO EVOLVE. SO WHEN ALL OF A SUDDEN RATTY STARTED CHANGING, I WELL. ANYWAY...
BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE! RATTY IS RATTY!
I WON'T LET IT BOTHER ME ANY-MORE!
YOU KNOW, IF YOU REALLY DON'T WANT A POKÉMON TO EVOLVE..
ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS CANCEL IT
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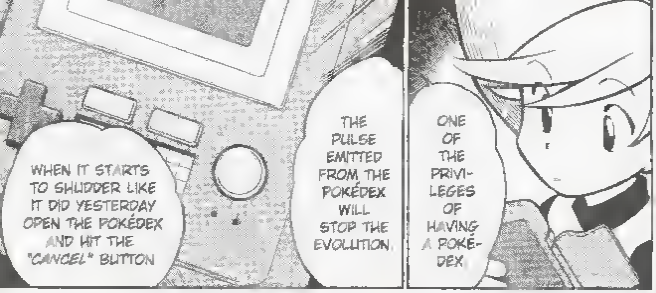
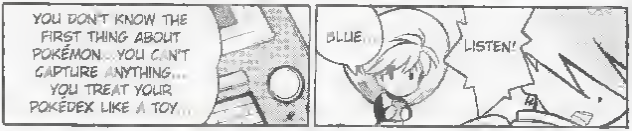
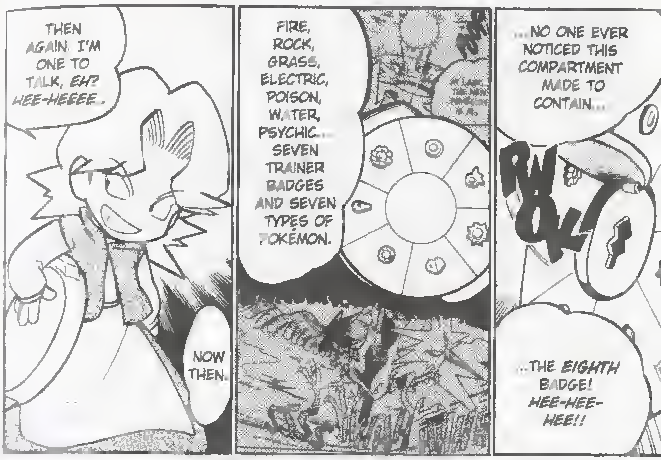
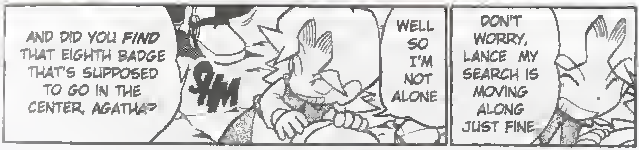

WHEN IT STARTS TO SHUDDER LIKE IT DID YESTERDAY OPEN THE POKÉDEX AND HIT THE "CANCEL" BUTTON
THE PULSE EMITTED FROM THE POKÉDEX WILL STOP THE EVOLUTION.
ONE OF THE PRIVILEGES OF HAVING A POKÉDEX.

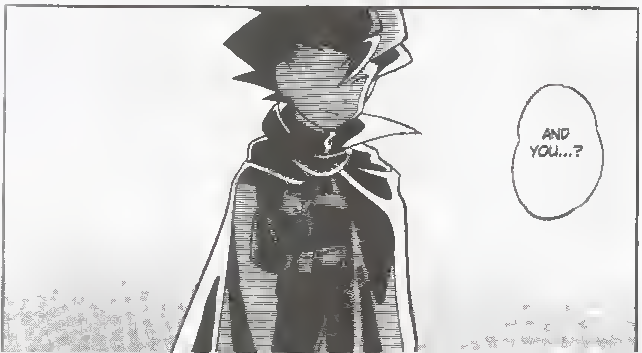

YOU DON'T KNOW THE FIRST THING ABOUT POKÉMON... YOU CAN'T CAPTURE ANYTHING... YOU TREAT YOUR POKÉDEX LIKE A TOY...
BLUE...
LISTEN!

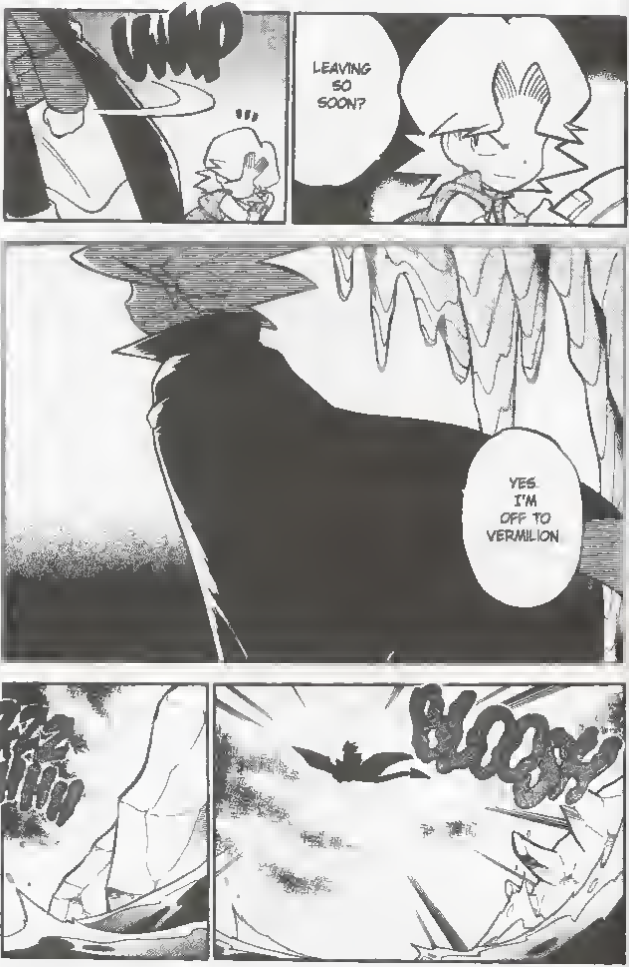
IF YOU'RE GOING TO GO UP AGAINST THE ELITE FOUR
THEN YOU'D BETTER DECIDE ARE YOU A TRAINER-- OR NOT!?

CERISE ISLAND
I SWEAR
EVERY TIME I VISIT, THIS ISLAND GETS A BIT CREEPIER.


THEN AGAIN, I'M ONE TO TALK, EH? HEE-HEEEE.
NOW THEN.
FIRE, ROCK, GRASS, ELECTRIC, POISON, WATER, PSYCHIC... SEVEN TRAINER BADGES AND SEVEN TYPES OF POKÉMON.
...NO ONE EVER NOTICED THIS COMPARTMENT MADE TO CONTAIN...
RWOAR
...THE EIGHTH BADGE! HEE-HEE-HEE!!


AND DID YOU FIND THAT EIGHTH BADGE THAT'S SUPPOSED TO GO IN THE CENTER, AGATHA?
HM
WELL SO I'M NOT ALONE
DON'T WORRY, LANCE MY SEARCH IS MOVING ALONG JUST FINE.


AND YOU...?


LAUGH
LEAVING SO SOON?
YES. I'M OFF TO VERMILION
FIZZ
BLOOSH

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